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Gaming Device and Method Having a Plurality of Serially

Dependent and Independent

<u>Bonuses</u>

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**AMENDMENT** 

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EXAMINER: Nguyen, K.

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 15, 2001, kindly enter the following amendments:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 4 with the following:

Assume that the character 35 has traversed the path 40 by exclusively landing on spots 41 having numerical values which increment and are posted as credits to the player's benefit, and then arrives at the terminus 46 of the first bonus round. In this event, the player then moves into the second bonus 50 shown in the center of figure 4. The display 2 is then transformed into the figure 5 depiction of the second bonus 50. Figure 5 reflects the character 35 in a vehicle 37 moving down a road 39 and bypassing a plurality of establishments 52. Each establishment has a different identity along the road which correlates with depictions at the bottom edge of the display 2. Thus, the character 35 has an opportunity to stop at establishments such as the golden brush, the